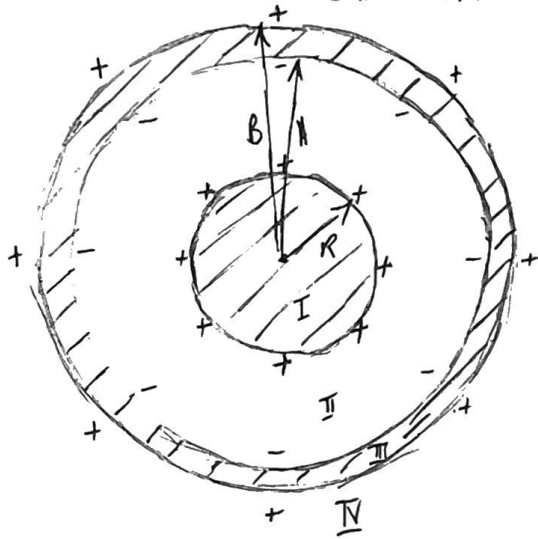


# PHYS 311 HOMEWORK SET 7 SOLUTIONS

CROSS SECTION OF SPHERE AND THICK CONCENTRIC METAL SHELL...



Let Region I: when  $r < R$

Region II when  $R < r < A$

Region III when  $A < r < B$

Region IV when  $B < r$

NOTICE:

• Regions I; III must have  $\vec{E} = 0$ , since conductors have zero  $\vec{E}$ -field inside

• Drawing a Gaussian surface concentric w/ the sphere and thick concentric w/  $A < r < B$  ..

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\alpha} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} \quad \text{now, since } \vec{E} = 0 \text{ in RIII, } \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\alpha} = 0$$

in RIII  $\therefore Q_{enc} = 0$

$\therefore$  the inner surface of the thick concentric metal shell must have  $-Q$ . Now since the outer shell is neutral, the outer surface of the thick concentric metal shell must have  $+Q$

$$a) \sigma(r=R) = +\frac{Q}{4\pi R^2}$$

$$\sigma(r=A) = -\frac{Q}{4\pi A^2}$$

$$\sigma(r=B) = +\frac{Q}{4\pi B^2}$$

b) use Gauss' law in each region to get the  $\vec{E}$ -field

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\alpha} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

in RI:  $\vec{E}_I = 0$  since  $Q_{enc} = 0$

in RII:

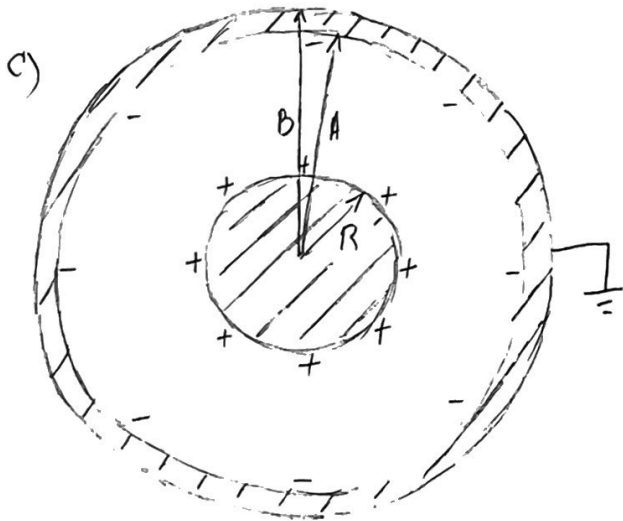
$$E_{II} 4\pi r^2 = +\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} \quad \therefore \vec{E}_{II} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$$

in RIII:  $\vec{E}_{III} = 0$  since  $Q_{enc} = 0$

$$\text{in RIV: } E_{IV} 4\pi r^2 = +\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} \quad \therefore \vec{E}_{IV} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$$

NOW

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(r=\infty) &= - \int_{\infty}^{\infty} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \int_{\infty}^B \vec{E}_{II} \cdot d\vec{l} - \int_B^A \vec{E}_{III} \cdot d\vec{l} - \int_A^R \vec{E}_{IV} \cdot d\vec{l} - \int_R^{\infty} \vec{E}_V \cdot d\vec{l} \\
 &= - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \int_{\infty}^B \frac{dr}{r^2} + \int_A^R \frac{dr}{r^2} \right] = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ -\frac{1}{r} \Big|_{\infty}^B - \frac{1}{r} \Big|_A^R \right] \\
 &= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{B} + \frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{A} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$



NOTICE :

- TOUCHING THE OUTER SURFACE TO A GROUNDING WIRE REMOVES THE CHARGE  $+Q$  (SINCE  $V(r=B)=0$ ) BUT LEAVES THE CHARGE ON THE INNER SURFACE UNCHANGED

HOW DO WE KNOW THIS ?

$$\vec{E}_{III} \text{ MUST BE ZERO } \therefore Q_{ENC} = 0$$

so

$$\vec{E}_I = 0 \quad (\text{AS BEFORE})$$

$$\vec{E}_{II} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{+Q}{r^2} \hat{r} \quad (\text{AS BEFORE})$$

$$\vec{E}_{III} = 0 \quad (\text{AS BEFORE})$$

$$\vec{E}_{IV} = 0 \quad \text{SINCE } Q_{ENC} = 0$$

so

$$V(r=R) = + \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$$

$$V(r=A) = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$$

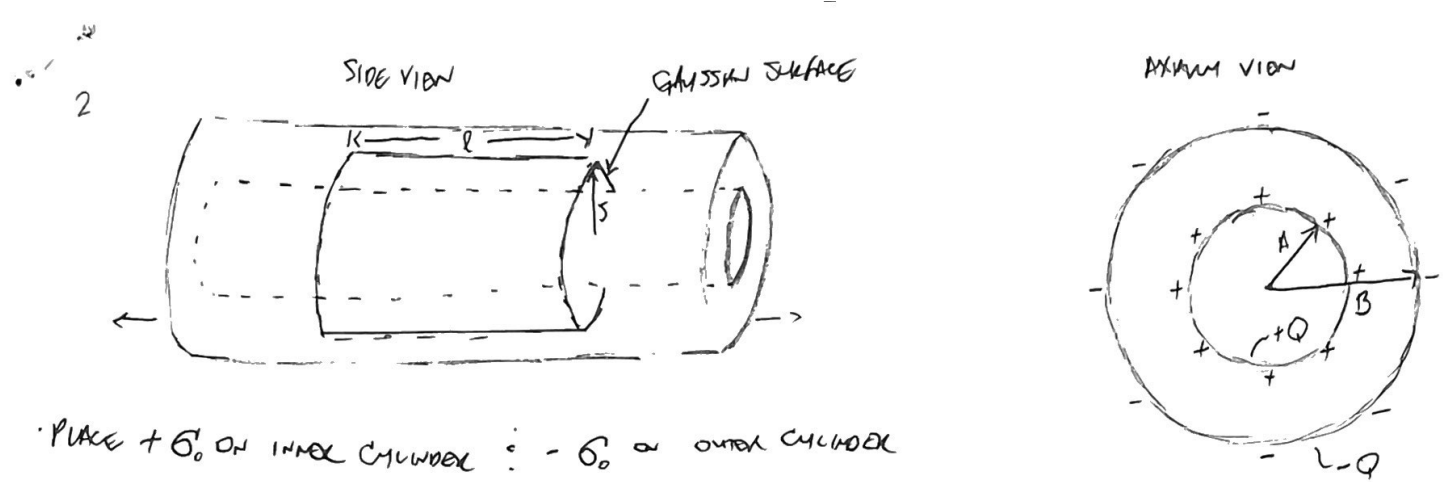
$$V(r=B) = 0$$

NOW

$$V(r=\infty) = - \int_{\infty}^R \vec{E}_{II} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{\infty}^R \frac{dr}{r^2} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{r} \Big|_{\infty}^R = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{\infty} \right)$$

THE POTENTIAL AT  $r=\infty$  DECREASED

THE SURFACE CHARGE DENSITY @  $r=B$  VANISHED!



• PLACE  $+Q$  ON INNER CYLINDER  $\therefore -Q$  ON OUTER CYLINDER

• CONSIDER GAUSSIAN SURFACES COAXIAL W/ THE TWO METAL CYLINDRICAL TUBES W/

RI:  $S < A$

RII:  $A < S < B$

RIII:  $B < S$

NOW, USE GAUSS' LAW IN EACH OF THE 3 REGIONS...

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

IN RI:  
 $\vec{E}_I = 0$  SINCE  $Q_{enc} = 0$

IN RII, GAUSS' LAW BECOMES...

$$E_{RMS} l = \frac{+Q}{\epsilon_0} \frac{2\pi A l}{S} \quad \text{so} \quad E = \frac{Q A}{\epsilon_0 S} \quad \text{so} \quad \left[ \vec{E} = \frac{Q A}{\epsilon_0 S} \hat{s} \right]$$

IN RIII:

$$\vec{E}_3 = 0 \quad \text{SINCE} \quad Q_{enc} = 0$$

NOW, THE POTENTIAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO COAXIAL CYLINDRICAL TUBES IS..

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta V = V(A) - V(B) &= - \int_B^A \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \frac{Q A}{\epsilon_0} \int_B^A \frac{ds}{s} = - \frac{Q A}{\epsilon_0} \ln s \Big|_B^A = \frac{Q A}{\epsilon_0} [\ln B - \ln(A)] \\ &= \frac{Q A}{\epsilon_0} \ln(B/A) \end{aligned}$$

$d\vec{l} = ds \hat{s}$

$$\text{NOW } Q = \frac{C}{2\pi A l} \quad \text{so} \quad \Delta V = \frac{Q}{2\pi l \epsilon_0} \ln(B/A)$$

$$\text{so} \quad \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{2\pi l \epsilon_0}{\ln(B/A)} = C$$

$$\text{so} \quad \left[ \frac{C}{l} = \frac{2\pi \epsilon_0}{\ln(B/A)} \right]$$